

3 November 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Chief, Interdepartmental Affairs Staff

SUBJECT: Background Material for Your 10 November SSCI Testimony on FOIA

REFERENCE: Chairman, SSCI Letter Dated 23 October 1981

1. Senator Goldwater has invited you to provide further testimony on 10 November to the SSCI in closed session on the negative effects of FOIA on U.S. foreign intelligence operations. (See reference - attached.) This is intended to be a follow-on session to your July appearance, during which you offered to provide such information in a closed hearing.

2. I apologize for the size of the attached package. Nevertheless, Bob Gates and I believe the most efficient way to determine how best we can serve your needs is to ask you to flip through these materials. They include:

- Your testimony book from July
- The transcript from your July testimony
- The DCI's testimony book from September
- The transcript from the DCI's testimony.

3. You will quickly see that there is considerable duplication, so the material on which you actually need to focus is not that great. I recommend that you focus particularly on the transcripts and review both testimonies, the Qs and As, and the classified damage assessments. Because both previous hearings were open, the statements are necessarily general.

25X1 4. I have asked OGC to stand by for any additional updating and support. Unfortunately, [redacted] will be on TDY during this period and unable to give you his personal assistance. DDO, meanwhile, is preparing a more detailed damage assessment. Would you like me to contact any of the other IC components for similar assessments? NSA and DIA, in particular, may be able to provide valuable assistance.

5. Please let me know if there is anything else I can do for you.



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Attachments

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cc: DCI OGC
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